

# Noyce Project SERVE Undergraduate Scholar Application

Project SERVE Website: <https://www.doane.edu/project-serve>

Application Deadline: **December 1<sup>st</sup> of Sophomore year**

Submit application package online to [NoyceProjectServe@doane.edu](mailto:NoyceProjectServe@doane.edu) or in person to Michelle Michl, Project SERVE Coordinator, EA 320

## Project SERVE Background

Project SERVE (Stem Educators with Resilience, Vision and Expertise) invites applicants for the National Science Foundation (NSF) Robert Noyce Teacher Scholarship and Stipend Program at Doane University. Project SERVE is a rigorous teacher preparation program that will produce certified STEM teachers with the skills to teach effectively in high-need (urban and rural) schools and persist within their profession. A high-need school means a local educational agency (for example, a school district) that serves secondary school located in an area which is characterized by at least one of the following: (a) a high percentage of individuals from families with incomes below the poverty line; (b) a high percentage of secondary school teachers not teaching in the content area in which they were trained to teach; or (c) a high teacher turnover rate.

Noyce Scholars will receive a \$14,000 scholarship in their junior year and \$24,500 scholarships in their extended senior year funded by NSF. Noyce Scholars must commit to completing two years of service in a high-needs school as a mathematics or science teacher for each year of scholarship or stipend received.

### Eligibility Requirements

- Sophomore standing with a minimum GPA of 3.0
- U.S. citizen, U.S. national, or permanent resident status
- Must pursue an undergraduate degree in a STEM field and complete a secondary teaching endorsement
- Achieve passing scores in the Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators (Reading, Writing, and Mathematics)

## Call for Applicants

Because the teacher workforce does not currently reflect the rich diversity of our students across classrooms, we are committed to serving an active role in preparing future educators from all backgrounds. Our children deserve to have teachers that they can identify with throughout their educational journey, and you have the opportunity to help us make that happen. Project SERVE seeks to admit a diverse group of students and encourages student applications from all identities and backgrounds including race, ethnicity, socio-economic status, gender and sexuality spectrums, religious identity, ability levels, among other differences. Consideration will also be given to student's financial need.

## Application Instructions

Qualified applicants are selected based on academic merit and commitment to teaching in high-need schools. Please submit this form along with each of the following documents no later than **December 1<sup>st</sup>**. For full consideration, applications and the supporting documents listed below must be submitted by the deadline. Please email scanned copies of the required materials to [NoyceProjectServe@doane.edu](mailto:NoyceProjectServe@doane.edu) or hand deliver to Michelle Michl, the Project SERVE Program Coordinator, EA 320. Applications may be left at the main desk at the College of Education.

- The general application form (See Page 2)
- Unofficial undergraduate transcripts
- Two letters of recommendation from:
  - One Science, Technology, Engineering or Math professor
  - One Education/FAK professor
- A personal statement of no more than 500 words indicating your interest in and commitment to teaching STEM in a high-need school district (urban or rural).

## General and Academic Information

This form must be submitted with your complete application package. You may type your responses into the fields provided and print and sign this form ~OR~ you may print the form and write your responses in the space provided. You may submit your application in hard copy in person or scan all required documents and submit electronically.

What is your full name (first name and last name)? \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Mailing Address (if different): \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Method of Contact (Phone, Text Message, or Email): \_\_\_\_\_

Major(s) (if identified): \_\_\_\_\_ Anticipated Date of Graduation (MM/YYYY): \_\_\_\_\_

Undergraduate Status \_\_\_\_\_ Do you have financial need documented by a  
(Freshman, Sophomore): \_\_\_\_\_ completed FAFSA? (Yes or No) \_\_\_\_\_

*We may need to have access to information that would help us verify your proof of financial need. By indicating "Yes" here and by signing this form, you are authorizing Doane University to release any information which may be required by Project SERVE personnel to determine your eligibility to receive scholarship assistance. (Accept by printing "Yes")* \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a U.S. citizen? (Yes or No) \_\_\_\_\_ Are you a permanent U.S. resident? (Yes or No) \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Reference 1: \_\_\_\_\_ Name of Reference 2: \_\_\_\_\_

### Demographic Information (OPTIONAL)

Doane University does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, genetic information, national origin, disability, age, marital status, sexual orientation or any other protected class recognized by state or federal law in admission or access to, or treatment, or employment in its programs and activities. In order to track the effectiveness of our recruiting efforts and ensure we consider the needs of all our employees, please consider the following OPTIONAL questions. Mark each box you wish to select with a capital X:

What is your gender? Female Male Non-Binary/third gender Self-describe Prefer not to say

If you selected Self-describe, you may enter your description here: \_\_\_\_\_

Transgender is an umbrella term that refers to people whose gender identity, expression or behavior is different from those typically associated with their assigned sex at birth. Other identities considered to fall under this umbrella can include non-binary, gender fluid, and genderqueer – as well as many more.

Do you identify as transgender? (Yes, No, or Prefer not to say) \_\_\_\_\_

Indicate your ethnicity African American/Black Alaskan Eskimo Asian American/Asian  
(select all that apply): Caucasian/White Latino/Hispanic Native American Other Prefer not to say

If you selected Other, you may enter your description here: \_\_\_\_\_

## Agreement Form Acknowledgement and Signature

My signature on this application form indicates that I have read and signed the [Project SERVE's Program Agreement Form](#) as part of this application. I understand that prior to receiving any scholarship funds, a Project Director, the Project Coordinator, or a Financial Aid counselor will carefully review this agreement with each Noyce Scholar and explain the conditions of the award and their teaching commitment.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print First and Last Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature



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